



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	State Water Control Board
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The purpose of this action is to establish appropriate and necessary permitting requirements for discharge of wastewater from potable water treatment plants. The regulation sets forth standard language for effluent limitations and monitoring requirements necessary to regulate this category of dischargers.

Two changes were made to the regulation from proposed to final. Both can be found in Section 70. The first change is to the reverse osmosis Part 1.A. effluent limitations for the total dissolved solids (TDS) maximum limitation of 800 mg/l to no limitation, monitoring requirements only. The change is in accordance with Effluent Guidance for Reverse Osmosis (RO) Plants Inter-Department Memorandum dated August 7, 1987. This memorandum states the TDS limit applies to RO plant wastewater discharges where the raw water source is well water. This general permit is applicable to reverse osmosis potable water treatment plants that use surface water as the raw water source.

The second change is to the reverse osmosis Part. A. effluent limitations for Dissolved Oxygen maximum limitation 0.011 mg/l to "not applicable" (NA). The change is a correction of a typographical error.

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

The State Water Control Board adopted the General VPDES Permit for Potable Water Treatment Plants at its October 2008 meeting.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability, including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

This regulation will have no direct impact on the institution of the family or family stability.